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**VITAL STATISTICS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VSAC)
VITAL RECORDS PROTECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VRPAC)
JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday, June 10, 2015
9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
1616 Capitol Avenue, Sixth Floor
Tuolumne Room 74.653

AGENDA

- A. Welcome
- B. Introductions and Announcements
- C. Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting
- D. State Registrar's Response to VSAC Recommendations—Attachment 1
- E. New Business—Attachment 2
- F. Recap of Data Requests Approved in the Vital Statistics Unit—Attachment 3
- G. Public Comment
- H. Additional Discussion Topics – Consent Agenda/Calendar
- I. Adjournment

ATTACHMENT 1— STATE REGISTRAR TO VSAC RECOMMENDATIONS

The following projects were reviewed by the Health Information and Research Section and require VSAC review and recommendation:

1. Project Title: "Toddlers in Play Study"
Principal Investigator: Jessica Grady, PhD, University of the Pacific
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2013 and 2014 Birth Statistical Master File (Name and Address)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved with stipulation that the requestor also request the DSMF files so they can also remove deceased infants.
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

2. Project Title: "Effect of birth Method on Post-natal Health Outcomes of Mothers and Babies"
Principal Investigator: David Card, PhD, University of California, Berkeley
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2007-2011 Linked PDD/Birth Cohort File
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

3. Project Title: "Factors Associated with the Closure of Emergency Services & Impact on Patient Outcomes: Effect of Employment on Emergency Department Utilization"
Principal Investigator: Renee Hsia, MD, UC San Francisco
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2011 Linked PDD/ED/Death Data, 2012-2013 Non-Public PDD, 2012-2013 Non-Public EDD, and 2011 Linked PDD/ED/Death Data
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

4. Project Title: "Using Population –Based Datasets to Generate and Test New Hypotheses for Investigating Preterm Births in California"
Principal Investigator: Gary Shaw, PhD, Stanford University, School of Medicine
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2012 and 2013 Birth Statistical Master File (select variables), 2011 Fetal Death Statistical Master File (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

5. Project Title: "Statistical Learning as Foundation for Lexical Development"
Principal Investigator: Katharine Graf Estes, PhD, University of California, Davis
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: PI is requesting files obtained by Dr. Lisa Oakes: 2006-2015 Birth Records (select variables), 2007-2015 Infant Death Records (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

6. Project Title: "The Effects of Ozone and Particulate Matter on Mortality"
Principal Investigator: Kimberly Kaufeld, PhD, North Carolina State University
Statistics Department
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2010-2013 Death Statistical Master File (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

ATTACHMENT 2—NEW BUSINESS

The following projects were reviewed by the Health Information and Research Section and require VSAC review and recommendation:

1. Project Title: California Cardiac Surgery and Intervention Project
Principal Investigator: Joseph Carey, MD, University of California, Irvine
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2011 Linked PDD/Death Data
2. Project Title: Evaluation of Longterm Pediatric and Neonatal Surgery Resource Utilization and Outcomes in California
Principal Investigator: Howard Hao-Chung Jen, MD, Tufts University, School of Medicine
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2005-2012 Linked PDD/Birth Cohort File, 2005-2013 Non-Public PDD, 2005-2013 Non-Public EDD, 2005-2013 Non-Public ASCD
3. Project Title: Development of State-wide Perinatal Quality Improvement Metrics with OSHPD PDD/Birth Certificate Linked Data
Principal Investigator: Jeffrey Gould, MD, Stanford University
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2012 Linked PDD/Death Data
4. Project Title: Impact of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) on Hospital Care Utilization and Cost
Principal Investigator: Atul Gupta, PhD Candidate, Stanford University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2011 Linked PDD/Death Data
5. Project Title: Safety in Childbirth Estimating Benefit of Risk Appropriate Obstetrical Care
Principal Investigator: Kimberly Gregory, PhD, University of California, Los Angeles, School of Medicine
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2011 Linked PDD/Birth Cohort File
6. Project Title: Probabilistic Inference and Categorization Development in Infants
Principal Investigator: Fei Xu, PhD, University of California, Berkeley
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2014 Preliminary Birth Records (Name & Address), 2014 Infant Death Records (Name, Address, Mother's Maiden Name)

7. Project Title: Health and Economic Toll of Tobacco on California's LGB population
Principal Investigator: Wendy Max, PhD, UC San Francisco, Institute for Health and Aging
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2013 Death Statistical Master File (No Personal Identifiers)
8. Project Title: Long-term Impacts of California Student Aid Commission's Cal Grant Entitlement Program
Principal Investigator: Oded Gurantz, PhD Candidate, Stanford University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 1982 Birth Statistical Master File (Name)
9. Project Title: Longitudinal Study of Hospital Outcomes for California Children
Principal Investigator: Geraldine Oliva, MD, Linda Remy, PhD, Co-PI, UC San Francisco
Project Type: Continuing with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2013 Birth Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, and Address), 2013 Death Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, Address, MMN and SSN)
10. Project Title: Evaluating the Effectiveness of a 13-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine among Children
Principal Investigator: Laurene Mascola, MD, Christine Wigen, MD, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2005-2013 Birth Records from Los Angeles County
11. Project Title: Brain Mechanisms of Visual Development
Principal Investigator: Scott Johnson, PhD, UCLA Department of Psychology
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2015 Real-time Birth Records and 2015 Real-time Death Data

**AGENDA ATTACHMENT 3—
RECAP OF DATA REQUESTS APPROVED IN THE HEALTH INFORMATION AND
RESEARCH SECTION**

Birth Data Requests

1. Sacramento County Public Health – 2013 Birth, 2011 Birth Cohort
2. Stanford University – 2013 Birth
3. CSU Fresno – 2012-2013 Birth, 2009-2011 Birth Cohort

Death Data Requests

1. Sacramento County Public Health – 2013 Death, 2011 Fetal, 2013 MCOD
2. CSU Fresno – 2011-2013 Death

CDPH Data Requests

1. Vaccine – Preventable Diseases Epidemiology – 2011-2013 MCOD
2. Infectious Diseases Branch – 2012-2013 MCOD